

CARRANZA LEAVES FOR PEACE PARLEY

Conference With Carbajal Delegates Expected to Open at Saltillo Thursday.

GENERALS URGE DELAY IN GRANTING AMNESTY

Federals Move Against Zapatistas.

Villa Still Smuggling Arms.

Gen. Carranza, accompanied by a corps of his advisers, left Tampico this morning for Saltillo, via Monterrey, according to private advices received here from a member of his party. It is expected that the conference with the Carbajal delegates will start Thursday.

The message received here today stated that Gen. Carranza has been admonished by his major generals who are associated with him in the campaign to enforce the "plan of Guadalupe," that he must be firm in his refusal to grant any amnesty before he is in authority in Mexico City, and not to countenance the section of the plan that would allow the leaders of the Huerta usurpation to go unpunished.

Brig. Gen. Funston reported today that the Mexican federal forces in Mexico City had taken the offensive against the Zapatistas and driven them from nearby towns. He says there are 30,000 federals in the Mexican capital.

Constitutionalist troops have become very active along the railroad between Saltillo and Guadalupe, and are acting in independent bands. Ricardo Lopez, at the head of a band of 200 men, is said to be laying waste the section south of Vera Cruz toward the seacoast.

Consular advices to the State Department declare Gen. Villa has been smuggling arms across the border as they are available. There is no doubt in the minds of the people in Chihuahua as to the meaning of Villa's activity, the dispatch to the department stated.

Scouts Counter Revolution. Jose Castellet, the personal representative here of Huerta's successor, Carbajal, today emphatically denied published reports from Toronto that Gen. Felix Diaz was expecting Gen. Huerta there to plan a counter revolution in Mexico.

"This report," said Castellet, "is attributed to Luis Elguero, one of the delegates to the Niagara Falls mediation conference. The best proof of its falsity is the fact that Mr. Elguero is now in Europe, and has not been in Toronto for several weeks. Even if he were in Toronto, however, he never would have said anything so absurd. It is a malicious lie, circulated by persons anxious to thwart the cause of peace."

The report was disturbing to Washington diplomats, and Minister Suarez of Chile requested that it be denied. He said he knew Mr. Elguero intimately, and that no such sentiment would have been expressed by him.

Secretary Bryan, in a conference with Mr. Castellet, said that the progress of the peace movement is being made in the interests of peaceful turning over of the authorities in Mexico City to Carranza.

Zapatistas May Co-Operate. Official advices from Vera Cruz, where agents of Carranza and Huerta have been in conference, reported that there was every indication that a complete and satisfactory agreement would be reached whereby the Zapatista forces would co-operate with the constitutionalists in establishing a new government in Mexico.

The most disturbing factor in the general situation, from the point of view of administration officials, was the decree promulgated by Gen. Antonio Villalaz, ex-pelling foreign priests from the state of Nuevo Leon, of which he is military governor, and restricting the activities of the Catholic Church. Consular officials telegraphed the full text of the decree to the State Department today.

Gen. Villa Promises Peace. Recent reports from the border have indicated that Gen. Villa intended to concentrate his forces in Chihuahua with the aim of demanding certain concessions from Gen. Carranza after the constitutionalists occupy Mexico City. However, in response to an appeal from the Washington government, urging him to forget personal differences and co-operate with the other revolutionary leaders, and should deal in his power to inaugurate an era of peace in Mexico.

While administration officials then expressed assurances that Villa would not permit any discussion with Carranza to develop into a counter revolution, yet today's reports renewed speculation over the ultimate result of the negotiations. Chief will take. The consular advices of Villa's new activity confirmed complaints that have reached the State Department from individual property owners. In some instances, it was declared, Villa had demanded as many as 100 horses from one ranch.

Bryan Sees Settlement. Secretary Bryan announced that the situation as between the Carbajal government and the constitutionalists in Mexico, was "progressing very satisfactorily toward a settlement." The delegates appointed by Provisional President Carbajal left Mexico City yesterday for Saltillo, where the peace conference will take place and there is every indication, according to State Department advices, that an amicable agreement will be made to hand over to the constitutionalists the reins of government.

Advices from southern Mexico stated that the envoys sent by Carranza to discuss the general situation in Mexico with emissaries of the Zapatista had had a long conference yesterday which was in every respect satisfactory. Officials now expect that Carranza will co-operate with the constitutionalists in maintaining peace in Mexico.

Calderon Meets Accident. Word was received here that Fernando Calderon, who is to be minister of foreign affairs in Carranza's cabinet, had met with an accident in New York City and was suffering with a broken leg. He was to have proceeded to Carranza's headquarters, and would have been one of Carranza's delegates in the forthcoming conference.

Members of the constitutionalist junta in Washington said they interpreted Carbajal's appointment of the peace commission as meaning that the chief of the revolution in Mexico was in prospect. He said that Carranza would be the center of operations for former President Huerta.

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ROCKVILLE AND COUNTY NEWS ITEMS AND NOTES

Automobilists Are Arrested for Violation of the Speed Ordinance.

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Preparatory to reopening the Christian Church at Redland, this county, which has been closed for some time, a reunion of former and present members and friends was held Sunday, several hundred persons attending. All-day services were held and addresses were delivered by Rev. Howard Peters of Washington, Rev. Edward Bagby of Baltimore and Rev. Oscar W. Barnes of Rockville. At noon a basket luncheon was served on the lawn. Charles O. Bean and Reuben Baker, trustees of the church, composed the committee in charge.

Alleged Assault Charged. Charles Smith, a young colored resident of this vicinity, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Hewitt Sunday on a charge of assault with intent to kill. It is claimed that he and Burley Willis, also colored, quarreled and that Smith struck Willis on the head with an ax handle, injuring him to the extent that the services of a physician were necessary.

The state tax commission has appointed E. Lloyd Fawcett of Colesville supervisor of assessments for Montgomery county. He will receive an annual salary of \$1,200 and his duties will be to supervise the work of the assessors for the various districts of the county. The supervisor will work under instructions of the state tax commission. Other applicants for the position were Richard E. Darby, Jacob M. Almut, Charles F. Brooks and William P. Dawson.

Coal Oil Store Explodes. The explosion of a coal oil stove in the home of John Burris at Gaithersburg yesterday afternoon resulted in the destruction of fire of the dwelling and furniture. A large part of the population of Gaithersburg responded to the alarm, and by hard work succeeded in preventing the flames from spreading to adjoining property. The loss is placed at \$2,500 and is partially covered by insurance.

REVEALS BANKERS' VIEWS. Secretary McAdoo Makes Public Reasons for Deposit for Crops.

Secretary McAdoo made public last night many telegrams from national banks throughout the country on which he based his decision to deposit \$24,000,000 of government funds to aid in moving the fall crop.

Nearly every one predicted heavy demands for money and referred to the enormous crops now being harvested. From St. Louis a business revival within sixty days, accompanied by demands for credit from mercantile houses, was forecast.

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